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## SUBJECT

About Washington: Commentary on the CIA

JIM VANCE: In our About Washington segment today, the commentator is Tom Braden. He says there is a storm brewing within the CIA. Tom.

TOM BRADEN: Admiral Stansfield Turner, the new Director at Central Intelligence has ordered senior officials at CIA not to consort with former officials at CIA. It's the latest episode in what appears to be a kind of Caine Mutiny taking place out at Langley. CIA denies it, but according to a source which I consider to be reliable, 18 super-grade officers of the clandestine services, that is the secret side of the house, will be told to have their resignations on Cart -- Turner's desk by the first of September.

I must confess that I don't know whether what is happening to the CIA is a new broom sweeping clean or a bull in a China shop. There are always two sides to an argument. But Admiral Turner's order not to talk to former colleagues shows that he is worried about what is being said, which is that he began his tenure with a blow at the CIA esprit, signing his letters Admiral USN, rather than Director CIA, that he made everybody nervous by calling for a list of all super-grade employees who are eligible for retirement.

These same super-grade employees were insulted by having to take orders from Naval officers without intelligence experience, whom Turner brought in to service as his closest aides.

That senior officers, including Division Chiefs, have discovered that the Admiral didn't want to see any of them in his office. "Put in a memorandum," he said to those who wanted to discuss their problems or brief him on his.

That attitude might be defensible for an experienced